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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

John BUTLER et al.

Application No.: 10/635,017

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For: WOUND RETRACTOR

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) Group Art Unit: 3733  
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) Examiner: A. Ramana  
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) Confirmation No.: 7577  
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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 18, 2006, Applicants request reconsideration of the pending rejections for the reasons set forth in the Remarks below.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Attachments: Terminal Disclaimer**